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Extract of a Letter from Major General Irwin to Mr. Secretary Conway, dated Gibraltar, February 3, 1766.

ON Thurſday Morning the 30th of laſt Month, about Four o'Clock, it began to thunder, lighten, and rain moſt violently, and continued without Intermiſſion the whole Day. Sometimes moſt heavy Showers of Hail ſucceeded the Rain, the Stones of which were of that immenſe Size, as to break many of the Windows in the Town. As it grew later in the Day, the Storm increaſed in every Reſpect; ſo that, between eight and nine at Night, the whole Hill and Town ſeemed to be on Fire, and Spouts of Water poured down from the Clouds. At once there came ſuch a Torrent from the Top of the Rock, with ſuch Heaps of Rubbiſh and Sand, as carried along with it ſeveral Houſes on the Side of the Hill; and in a few Minutes the Ground-Floors of all the Houſes in the Town were full of Water, the Hail and Rubbiſh having ſtopped up the Drains. The Suddenneſs and Violence of this Accident occaſioned the Loſs of ſeveral Lives. By the Zeal, Activity, and Chearfulneſs, of the Officers and Soldiers, I ſoon got the Drains opened, and prevented further Miſchief. I muſt not, on this Occaſion, omit telling you how much I am obliged to the Officers, for the Care and Vigilance they ſhewed; as alſo to the private Men, for their Activity and Obedience in ſuch a Time of univerſal Confuſion and Diſtreſs. The Storm began to abate about Twelve at Night, but did not go off quite 'till about Eight o'Clock on Friday Morning. Almoſt every Body in the Town has ſuffered; the Merchants very conſiderably; ſome are totally ruined, the Goods in their Storehouſes having been entirely waſhed away. I thank God the Magazines eſcaped untouched.

I cannot now ſend you the Particulars of our Misfortunes, but ſhall by the firſt Opportunity. In the mean Time I have given, and ſhall continue to give, ſuch Orders as I think beſt for the Service. I do not as yet know the Number of killed; but judge, by the beſt Accounts, they may be about ſixty, five of which are Soldiers. It is ſcarce poſſible to deſcribe the melancholy Scene of Parts of Houſes, Furniture, Men, Women, Children, and Animals of all Sorts, floating in the Water, or ſtuck in the Rubbiſh; and do ſuppoſe, that ſince the Misfortune at Liſbon, ſo dreadful an Accident hath not happened to any Town; nor could any Thing more reſemble that than this, many of the Streets being entirely choaked up with the Rubbiſh, and the Inhabitants obliged to come out at their upper Windows, and ſome to break their Way through the Walls of their Houſes. I fear many of the Houſes will come down, ſome of which are Officers Quarters. I have had Communications made through all the Streets, and mean to go on clearing away as faſt as poſſible.

Copenhagen, February 22. His Serene Highneſs Prince Charles of Heſſe-Caſſel is advanced to the Rank of Lieutenant-General of Infantry, and has the Poſt of Grand Maſter of the Artillery.

The Caſtrum Doloris being now finiſhed, the Royal Remains are to be placed under it on Monday next. Every Thing is getting ready, with the utmoſt Expedition, for the Funeral, which is to be performed, if poſſible, about the Middle of next Month.

The Diſpoſition of the ſeveral Courts is ſaid to be ſettled in the following Manner: The King, together with the Three Princeſſes, is to reſide at Fridericksberg; the Queen Dowager, with her Son Prince Frederick, at Friedenſbourg; and the Queen-Mother, as uſual, at Hirſcholm.

Berlin, February 25. His Pruſſian Majeſty continues at Potzdam. On Saturday laſt the Prince Royal of Pruſſia, the Princeſs his Conſort, his Brother Prince Henry, and the two Princes of Brunſwick, arrived here from Potzdam.

Laſt Sunday being the Birth-day of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs, Conſort to Prince Henry the King of Pruſſia's Brother, her Royal Highneſs received the Compliments of all the Royal Family, Foreign Miniſters, and Nobility. In the Evening her Majeſty the Queen of Pruſſia gave, in her Apartments in the Palace, a very elegant Supper; after which there was a Ball in Maſk, which laſted till the next Morning.

Yeſterday Morning their Royal Highneſſes the Prince and Princeſs Royal of Pruſſia, young Prince Henry, and the two Princes of Brunſwick, returned to Potzdam.

Hague, March 4. The Deputations of the ſeveral Provinces are arrived here to adminiſter the Oath to the Prince of Orange, upon his entering upon the Exerciſe of his eminent Functions. The different Ceremonies his Highneſs will be obliged to go through, on the 8th of this Month, will take up his Time from Seven in the Morning till Five o'Clock in the Afternoon.

St. James's, February 3, 1766.

Whereas I have received Information from his Excellency the Earl of Hertford, His Majeſty's Lieutenant General and General Governor of the Kingdom of Ireland, That Part of the Cargo and Treaſure of the Ship Earl of Sandwich, whereof John Cochran was late Commander, (who in his Voyage in her, from Teneriff to London, was, together with Captain Glaſs, his Wife and Daughter, Paſſengers, and ſome others belonging to the ſaid Ship, barbarouſly murdered by Part of the Crew thereof) having been found on the Coaſt of Ireland, is now properly ſecured in that Kingdom by his Excellency's Order; I give this Publick Notice thereof, to

to the End, that all Persons concerned in the Treasure and Cargo of the said Ship, so found and secured as abovementioned, may, without Loss of Time, authorize proper Persons to lay in their Claims, in the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland's Chief Secretary's Office in Dublin Castle, and agree upon a Method for settling and ascertaining their respective Properties and Proportions.

H. S. CONWAY.

Whitehall, March 1, 1766.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That sometime in the Night of the 24th of February last, the Granary of William Middleton, of Crowfield Hall in the County of Suffolk, Esq; was, by some wicked, and ill-designing Person or Persons, maliciously set on Fire: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned therein, is, hereby, pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, (except the Person who actually set Fire to the said Granary), who shall discover his or her Accomplice or Accomplices, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

GRAFTON.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the said William Middleton, does, hereby, promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, *to any Person making such Discovery, (except as before excepted) to be paid upon the Conviction of any one or more of the Offenders.*

Wm. Middleton.

General Post Office, March 8, 1766.

His Majesty's Postmaster General having been pleased to establish Two additional Packet Boats of 170 *Tons Burthen, to be navigated with* 20 *Men each, for the Conveyance of Mails, Expresses, and Passengers to Barbadoes, Grenada, Antigua, St. Christopher's, Jamaica, Pensacola, Charles-Town, and back to Falmouth; as also to establish Three others of the same Tonnage, and the like Number of Men, instead of those at present employed in the Service;*

Notice is hereby given that a Mail will be made up and dispatched from this Office accordingly, on Thursday next the 13*th Instant, being the second Thursday in the Month; and for the future a Mail is intended to be dispatched from hence the second Thursday in every Month.*

By Command of the Postmaster General,
Henry Potts, *Secretary.*

Navy-Office, February 12, 1766.

The Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, That they will be ready to treat with such Persons as are willing to contract for the Stores undermentioned for His Majesty's Service, on the Days expressed against the same, at Eleven o'Clock in the Morning, that they may attend with their Proposals.

Iron, on Tuesday the 25th of February, 1766.
Norway Goods, Friday the 14*th of next Month.*
Dantzic Goods, Tuesday the 18*th of next Month.*
Hemp, Tuesday the 25*th of next Month.*
Tar East Country, Tuesday the 1*st of April next.*

English Copper House, March 5, 1766.

The Governor and Company of Copper Miners in England hereby give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Bush-Lane, London, on Thursday the 3*d of April next, from Ten in the Forenoon till One in the Afternoon, for the Election of a Governor, Deputy Governor, and Ten Assistants for the Year ensuing, and to consider of a Dividend: Also that the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut from Wednesday the* 12*th instant till Wednesday the* 9*th of April next. And printed Lists of the Proprietors of Reduced Shares will be ready to be delivered at the said House on Tuesday the* 18*th instant.*

Westminster Fire-Office, Bedford-Street Covent Garden, March 8, 1766.

The Directors do hereby give Notice, that a General Meeting of the Contributors will be held at this Office on Thursday the 24*th Day of April next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, for chusing Auditors for the Year ensuing; and on other Affairs relating to the Society.*

South Sea House, London, March 6, 1766.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be held at this House, on Thursday the 20*th instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, being one of the Half-Yearly General Courts appointed by the Charter.*

South Sea House, London, March 6, 1766.

The Court of Directors of the South Sea Company give Notice, That the Transfer Books of Old South Sea Annuities will be shut on Friday the 21*st Instant, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Monday the* 5*th of May following.*

And that the Warrants for the Half-Year's Interest, due thereon the 5*th of April next, will be paid on Tuesday the* 6*th and Wednesday the* 7*th of May following; on which Days of Payment the said Transfer Books will be shut.*

Union Fire-Office.

The Directors of the Union Society for Insuring Goods and Merchandize from Loss by Fire give Notice, That the Half-Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the said Society will be held at their Office in Maiden Lane near Cheapside, on Wednesday the 19*th instant, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, to report the State of of the Office, and other Affairs; where the Proprietors are desired to be present.*

Equivalent Office, March 5, 1766.

The Court of Directors of the Equivalent Company give Notice, that a General Court of this Company will be held at their House in Warnford Court Throgmorton Street, on Wednesday the 23*d Day of April next, for the Election of Thirteen Directors, (according to their Charter) which will continue by Ballot from Nine to Twelve o'Clock in the Forenoon of the said Day; after which no Lists will be taken in, and the Election will be declared immediately after the Scrutiny. That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut on Wednesday the* 9*th Day of April next, and continue so till Wednesday the* 30*th of April next: And Lists of the Members of the said Company will be ready to be delivered at their House in Warnford Court Throgmorton Street, London, on Wednesday the* 16*th of April next.*

James Mathias, *Secretary.*

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London, March 3, 1766.

WHereas the Copartnerſhip between John Falconer and Samuel Handerſyde, of Raquet Court Fleet-Street, Silver-Caſters, is this Day diſſolved by mutual Agreement; Notice is hereby given, that all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Copartnerſhip, are deſired to pay their reſpective Debts to the ſaid John Falconer or Samuel Handerſyde, they having mutually agreed to collect the ſame; and all Perſons who have any Claim on the ſaid Copartnerſhip, are to apply to the ſaid John Falconer for Payment thereof.

John Falconer.
Samuel Handerſyde.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, and a General Order of Transfer, on Friday the 18th Day of April next, between the Hours of Five and Six in the Afternoon, before Edward Montagu, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery-Lane, London, The ſeveral Freehold Eſtates of the late Sir William Peere Williams, Baronet, deceaſed, ſituate in the ſeveral Pariſhes of Rumboldſweek and Felpham, and in the City of Chicheſter in the County of Suſſex. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, on Friday the 25th Day of April next, between the Hours of Five and Six in the Afternoon, before John Browning, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane, London, Part of the Perſonal Eſtate of John Noyes, late of Warwick Court Holborn in the County of Middleſex, Gentleman, deceaſed, conſiſting of Chambers at N° 15. in Coney Court Gray's Inn in the ſaid County of Middleſex; and alſo of certain Shares in the Foulneſs and Eddyſtone Light-houſes, Part in Poſſeſſion and Part in Reverſion; the ſaid Eſtate to be ſold in different Parcels. Particulars whereof to be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

TO be peremptorily ſold, purſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, on Tueſday the 22d Day of April next, between the Hours of Five and Six in the Afternoon, before John Browning, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane, London, The Prebend of Beachill and Knaresborough in the County of York, with the Tyths and Appurtenances thereto belonging, held under a Leaſe for three Lives (of which, two are now in Being) from the Prebendary of the Prebend aforeſaid, at the yearly Rent of 45l. Further Particulars to be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

NOtice is hereby given, that all Perſons who have any juſt Debts or Demands upon the Eſtate and Effects of James Innes, late Purſer of His Majeſty's Ship of War the Phœnix, may apply to Meſſ. Innes, Robinſon, and Bowman, at their Office, the Corner of Gould Square Crutched Friars, London, (who are authorized by the Repreſentative of the ſaid James Innes, deceaſed, to ſettle and pay the ſame) at any Time (within Office Hours) before the 1ſt Day of May next, otherwiſe they will be excluded from receiving any Satisfaction, as the then Remainder of the ſaid Eſtate and Effects will be diſtributed unto and amongſt ſuch Perſons as will be intitled thereto under the laſt Will and Teſtament of the ſaid James Innes, deceaſed, who reſide out of the Juriſdiction of the Courts of Law in England.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt John Abercromby and Richard Baldwin, of the Borough of Southwark in the County of Surry, Cheeſemongers and Copartners, are deſired to meet the Aſſignees of the ſaid Bankrupts Eſtate and Effects, on the 20th Day of March inſtant, at Six o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Feathers Tavern in Cheapſide, London, in order to aſſent to or diſſent from the ſaid Aſſignees commencing proſecuting, or defending one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the ſaid Bankrupts Eſtate and Effects; and for their compounding, ſubmitting to Arbitration, or otherwiſe agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other ſpecial Affairs.

PUrſuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors and Legatees of Chriſtopher Key, late of the Pariſh of St. James Weſtminſter in the County of Middleſex, Gentleman, deceaſed, are forthwith to come in and prove their reſpective Debts, and claim their reſpective Legacies, before Richard Edwards, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the ſaid Court, at his Chambers in Symond's Inn, Chancery-Lane, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Decree.

THE Creditors of Samuel Ingold, late of the Minories, London, Linnen-draper, who have executed the Deed of Truſts of his Eſtate, are deſired to give in their Accounts of their reſpective Debts to the Truſtees; and ſuch of them as have not yet executed the Deed, are to come in and execute the ſame, as the ſaid Truſtees intend forthwith to make a Dividend thereof, or they will be excluded from ſuch Dividend; and the Debtors to the ſaid Eſtate are required to pay their reſpective Debts to the ſaid Truſtees, or to Mr. Daniell, Attorney, in Wood-ſtreet, or they will be ſued for the ſame without further Notice.

THE Aſſignees under a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued againſt Ann Brooks, late of Pall-Mall in the Pariſh of St. James Weſtminſter in the County of Middleſex, Millener and Dealer in Lace, for the better Recovery of the ſaid Bankrupt's Effects, do hereby offer a Reward of Twenty Pounds per Cent. to any Perſon or Perſons who ſhall diſcover any of the Effects of the ſaid Bankrupt which may be concealed, ſo that the ſame may be recovered by the ſaid Aſſignees; and all Perſons, who are indebted to the Eſtate of the ſaid Bankrupt, are required to pay the ſame forthwith to Mr. Gregg, at Skinners Hall, Dowgate Hill, otherwiſe they will be ſued without further Notice.

PUrſuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable Robert Earl of Northington, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, for Enlarging the Time for John Lee, of the Minories, London, Haberdaſher, (a Bankrupt) to ſurrender himſelf, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects, for Forty-nine Days, to be computed from the 4th Day of March Inſtant; This is to give Notice, that the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named and authorized, or the major Part of them, will meet on the 22d Day of April next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the ſaid Bankrupt is required to ſurrender himſelf, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of his Eſtate and Effects, and finiſh his Examination; and the Creditors, who have not already proved their Debts, may then and there come and prove the ſame, and aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt John Baillie and John Mathewman, of Wild-Street in the Pariſh of Saint Giles in the Fields in the County of Middleſex, Stationers and joint Copartners, and they being declared Bankrupts, are hereby required to ſurrender themſelves to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named or the major Part of them, on the 15th and 17th Days of March inſtant, and on the 19th Day of April next, at Twelve of the Clock at Noon, on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of their Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chooſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupts are required to finiſh their Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of their Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupts, or that have any of their Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Roe, Attorney, in Glouceſter-Street, Red Lion Square.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Jarvis Smyth and Edward Iſelton, late of Burr-Street in the County of Middleſex, Warehouſemen, Dealers and Chapmen, and they being declared Bankrupts, are hereby required to ſurrender themſelves to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 15th and 21ſt Days of March inſtant, and on the 19th Day of April next, at Four of the Clock in the Afternoon, on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of their Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the Second Sitting to chooſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupts are required to finiſh their Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of their Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupts, or that have any of their Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Gregg, at Skinners Hall, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Matthias Walker, of Oxenden-ſtreet in the Pariſh of Saint Martin in the Fields in the County of Middleſex, Taylor, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 15th and 27th Days of March inſtant, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, and on the

19th